(c) whether a Central Team has conducted any survey in this regard; and

(d) if so, the findings thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Research Stations of Indian Veterinary Research Institute

1570. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up more Regional Research Stations of Indian Veterinary Research Institute;

(b) if so the number of new Research stations proposed to be set up during the Eighty Five Year Plan; and

(c) the locations identified for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

Production of Pepper

1571. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the global production of pepper during the last three years, conutry-wise and year-wise figures;

(b) what has been India's production export and internal consumption during this period, year-wise;

(c) the price of pepper during the period year-wise both lowest and highest;

(b) whether any steps are being taken to improve pepper cultivation in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether steps are being taken to see that pepper gets better price as pepper farmers had been getting low remunerative price in previous year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) According to information available, the country-wise global production of pepper during the last three years is given as under :

(1000 tonnes)

Country	1991	1992	1993 (Estimate)
India	55	60	55
Brazil	50	28	23
Indonesia	61	62	37
Malaysia	29	26	20
China	13	12	6
Thailand	10	11	9
Vietnam	9	8	10
Madagaskar	3	3	3
Sri Lanka	3	3	3
Others	1	1	NA.
TOTAL WORLD	234	214	167